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SUBJECT: LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF NOVA SCOTIA SPEAKS AGAINST
MORE CONTROLS

1. IN AN UNUSUAL DEPARTURE FROM APOLITICAL ROLE
USUALLY ASSOCIATED WITH ROLE OF LT GOVERNOR, DR
CLARENCE GOSSE, LT GOVERNOR OF NOVA SCOTIA, IN
DELIVERING A SPEECH ON JANUARY 5, 1976 IN SYDNEY,
NOVA SCOTIA MADE POINTED REFERENCES TO CURRENT ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL TENSIONS IN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES AND
TO RECENT SUGGESTIONS BY PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU THAT
IANADIAN SOCIETY MUST BE CHANGED FUNDAMENTALLY TO SURVIVIE.

2. DR GOSSE SAID THAT GOVERNMENT STATEMENTS OF INTENT
TO RESPOND TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS AND PARTICULARLY THE
MOST RECENT VIEWS OF PRIME MINISTER TRUDEAU BROUGHT
SURPRISE AND ALARM TO MANY PEOPLE AND AWAKENED US
RATHER ABRUPTLY . HE SAID, I DON T BELIEVE FOR A
MINUTE THAT THE PRIME MINISTER DID NOT ANTICIPATE THIS
REACTION. HE WOULD NOT BE IN HIS POSITION IF HE WAS
NOT HIGHLY INTELLECTUAL AND WELL-SCHOOLED IN PSYCHOLOGY.
ER GOSSE SAID THAT PERHAPS THE PRIME MINISTER WAS
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TRYING TO SCARE US OUT OF OUR APATHY OR USING THE

PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACH TO POLARIZE THE THINKING OR
DIRECTION OF CANADIANS .

3. THE LT GOVERNOR URGED PEOPLE WHO HAVE MORE FREEDOM
OF SPEECH THAN I DO TO USE IT IN THE INTEREST OF
SURVIVAL THROUGH RESPONSIBLE CRITICISM. HE WENT ON TO
SAY THAT, WE ARE FORTUNATE IN THIS PROVINCE THAT
CITIZENS IN ALL AREAS VOLUNTARILY INTEREST THEMSELVES
IN COMMUNITY WORK. IT IS A SAFEGUARD AGAINST TOO MUCH
GOVERNMENT... HE ADDED, WE CAN WORK IN PARTNERSHIP
WITH GOVERNMENTS BUT IN NO WAY CAN GOVERNMENTS REPLACE
INGREDIENTS OF VOLUNTARY EFFORT...

4. EVER SINCE ASSUMING OFFICE IN 1973 DR GOSSE HAS
MADE CLEAR THAT HE HAD HIS OWN VIEWS AND THAT HE WOULD
NOT SUPPRESS THEM ALTOGETHER BECAUSE OF HIS
GUBERNATORIAL OFFICE. ONE WONDERS WHETHER THE LIBERAL
PREMIER OF THE PROVINCE, GERALD REGAN, MAY NOT HAVE
GIVEN TACIT APPROVAL TO DR GOSSE'S CAUTIOUS FORAY INTO
POLITICS SINCE ON MANY ISSUES REGAN DOES NOT AGREE
WITH HIS FEDERAL LIBERALS AND HE AND HIS MINISTERS
TEND TO FEEL THAT GOVERNMENT CONTROLS SHOULD ONLY BE
INSTITUTED MOST SPARINGLY.
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